## Grapevine Liquor Store Tulsa, OK 74129-2603

May 9, 2003

Chief

Regulations and Procedures Division Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau Washington, D.C. 20091-0221

RE: TTB Notice No.4

Dear Sir/Madam:

We don't need new regulations on flavored malt beverages. We already have too many regulations and too many taxes. We should be getting rid of some of these taxes and regulations; we shouldn't be adding more if we want the U.S. economy to recover. The TTB should be directed by earlier research that showed flavored malt beverages do not decrease the excise tax revenues of the federal government. The proposed new rules would not only cut into excise tax revenue, but they would kill a successful market in the process.

Please back the people who buy and sell flavored malt beverages and prevent what would be a disastrous change in policy for this industry. I appreciate your consideration.

Sincerely,

Joan Branum